

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Region 2

Hunter Check Station Results--Opening Weekend (Sat. & Sun., Oct. 21 & 22) 2017

Station	Year	No. of Hunters	Elk	Mule deer	White-tailed deer	Black bear	Moose	Sheep	Goat	Wolf~	Total animals	% Hunters w/ game	Snow depth ^a (in.)
Darby (includes HD 321 & HD 334)	2017	918	70	6	7	2	0	0	0	0	85	9.2	12
	2016	986	57	2	13	0	0	0	0	1	73	7.4	1
	2015	1,050	63	10	14	0	0	0	0	0	87	8.3	0
	2014	1,077	62	10	24	0	1	1	0	1	99	9.2	0
	2013	935	59	9	14	0	0	0	0	0	82	8.8	13
Anaconda	2017	295	16	3	10	1	0	0	0	0	30	10.2	5
	2016	360	10	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	17	4.7	1
	2015	436	16	5	6	2	1	1	0	0	31	7.1	1
	2014	483	17	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	22	4.6	0
	2013	405	21	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	25	6.2	9
Bonner	2017	1,094	31	6	94	2	0	0	0	0	133	12.2	0
	2016	1,242	21	21	79	1	0	0	0	0	122	9.8	2
	2015	1,378	21	14	56	3	0	0	0	0	94	6.8	0
	2014	1,215	9	5	47	0	0	1	0	0	62	5.1	0
	2013	1,084	18	7	39	0	0	0	0	0	64	5.9	0
All Stations (Opening day)	2017	2,307	117	15	111	5	0	0	0	0	248	10.7	
	2016	2,588	88	26	96	1	0	0	0	1	212	8.2	
	2015	2,864	100	29	76	5	1	1	0	0	212	7.4	
	2014	2,775	88	18	71	1	1	3	0	1	183	6.6	
	2013	2,424	98	18	55	0	0	0	0	0	171	7.1	

~Wolf harvest only reflects those wolves checked at the R2 check stations; it is not total reported harvest.

^aSnowtel sites at Saddle Mountain (Darby), Peterson Meadows (Anaconda), Copper Camp (Bonner) & Hoodoo Basin (Fish Creek).

WEATHER: Opening weekend weather was in the 40s and 50s and began with substantial rainfall at the beginning of the weekend.

FWP began running a check station in Fish Creek on opening weekend in 2011.

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Fish Creek	2017	191	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.6	10
	2016	198	1	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	13	6.6	2
	2015	182	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	2.2	0
	2014*												
	2013	230	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.3	3